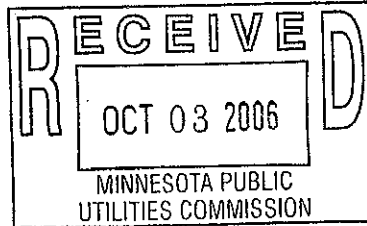




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Re: Minnesota Municipal Power Agency  
Faribault Energy Park Generation Project  
MPUC Docket No. IP-6202/CN-02-2006  
EQB Docket No. 02-48-PPS-FEP

Dear Dr. Haar:

The Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (MMPA) respectfully seeks authorization to make a minor alteration in its site permit for a large electric power generating plant, Faribault Energy Park, pursuant to Minnesota Rule 4400.3820.

MMPA has a site permit for a 250 MW combined cycle electric generating plant, located in the City of Faribault. The plant is presently operational in simple cycle and the continuation of construction of the combined cycle portion of the plant is underway.

The minor alteration the MMPA is seeking relates to the proposal to add a nominal 25 MW duct burner to the plant. MMPA proposes to add the duct burner as a part of the combined cycle construction project.

The duct burner will add thermal energy to the hot exhaust gases as they are ducted from the gas turbine to the waste heat recovery boiler. The duct burner will be capable of burning bio-derived fuel (such as degummed soy oil) and is expected to operate only on peak days. The MMPA is proposing the addition of the duct burner to help the MMPA meet the biomass requirement of the renewable energy objective in an innovative way.

The alteration is minor because the addition of the duct burner will not result in significant change in the human or environmental impact of the facility. Plant infrastructure already exists at the site and the addition of a duct burner operating only on peak days will have negligible impact on the community and environment.

The MMPA expects that construction will be complete and testing of the combined cycle facility will begin in March 2007, with commercial operation expected in the summer of 2007.

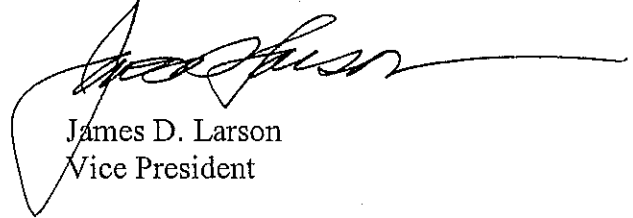
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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

**Avant Energy Services**  
Agent for MMPA

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James D. Larson  
Vice President

cc: Bill Storm